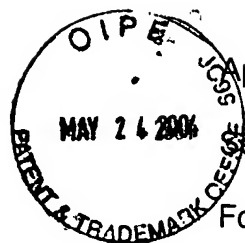


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicant(s): Lieberman et al.
Serial No.: 10/674,284
For: FLOW CONTROL ELEMENT FOR USE WITH LEAK-PROOF
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for extension of time for a total period of three (3) months. Based on the extension requested, the extended period for response will expire on May 24, 2004 (due to March 22, 2004 falling on a Saturday).

A check that includes a fee of \$950.00 is enclosed with this Petition. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-0467. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles N. J. Ruggiero".

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